

Rhodes scholar sent to Oxford from the State of Washington. Since his return he served his Alma Mater until his untimely death from an automobile accident, December 13, 1919.

Few instructors have left so fine a record in the University of Washington as has Mr. Johanson in the inspiration he imparted for the love of truth and the diligence he exemplified in seeking it. Only a few of his writings were published. The rest were left in manuscript for his further revision. The committee has rendered a fine, brotherly service by gathering these into permanent form.

The beautiful simple volume opens with a tender tribute to its author in verse by Professor Joseph B. Harrison.

While the contents of the volume do not relate to history the book itself will surely grace some chapter in the history of education in Washington.

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*The Miners' Laws of Colorado.* By THOMAS M. MARSHALL.  
(Washington, D. C.: *The American Historical Review*, 1920.  
Pp. 426 to 439.)

Reprinted in separate form from the April, 1920, issue of the *American Historical Review*, Professor Marshall's scholarly article becomes an item which collectors of Northwest Americana will prize.

The purpose of the study is well explained in the opening sentences as follows: "To the student of governmental institutions in the United States, government based upon social compact is a familiar conception. As a basis of state-making in the West the idea has received the attention of many historians and needs no elaboration here. But less attention has been given to the social compact as a basis of local government. The object of this paper is to present the salient features of the beginnings of organized governmental units in what is now the state of Colorado."

It was stated that the old mining laws could never be recovered but Professor Marshall has found hundreds of volumes in the vaults of various county clerks. Some of these he has studied in this brief paper showing that the miners, always concerned with such matters as claims and records, frequently found also that it was necessary for them to pass and enforce local laws. In this connection the miners are seen to aim at substantial justice and to avoid the technicalities of lawyers. A Trail Creek District resolution provided that no lawyer, attorney, "counselor, or pettifogger"

be allowed to plead in any case before any judge or jury in the district. On page 438, the author calls attention to restrictions worse even than those in Trail Creek District. He says: "Lower Union District went a step further and provided that if a lawyer practiced in any court in the district he should be punished by not less than twenty nor more than fifty lashes and be banished from the district."

Professor Marshall promises further use of the old miners' laws as follows:

"It is obviously impossible in a short paper to give a complete digest of the numerous codes, or to point out their multitudinous variations, or to discuss the influence of the miners' laws upon the mining law of the state; but the writer hopes that he has given some idea of the nature of the laws of the mining districts, and that he has broken down some of the erroneous impressions created by earlier writers. Those who desire to make a more complete analysis of the codes will soon have an opportunity, for preparations are now under way to publish the texts in the *Historical Collections* of the University of Colorado."

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*The Glacier Playfields of the Mt. Rainier National Park.* By JOSEPH T. HAZARD. (Seattle: The Author, 1920. Pp. 96. \$1.)

Mr. Hazard was formerly manager of guides and information at Paradise Valley. In that work he discovered a need on the part of casual visitors for a sort of handbook. In supplying that need he has gone much farther by assembling many beautiful views and preparing an attractive little volume not at all like the ordinary handbook. He has added a chapter on "The Mountains of Washington," which is also well illustrated.

For a number of years Mr. Hazard has been a prominent member of The Mountaineers, the mountain-climbing organization of Washington. He dedicates his book to the president of that club and includes the following paragraph in his preface:

"Grateful acknowledgment is offered to The Mountaineers, and to the many members of The Mountaineers, who have granted the permission to use illustrations from The Mountaineer Magazine. The pictures from which these illustrations are made are the result of weeks and months of exacting work in the mountains of the Pacific Northwest."